

## **Introduction**

### **ABOUT THE REFERENCES CITED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN**

#### **AUTHORITIES IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN**

Authority for PHA policies is derived from many sources. Primary among these sources are regulations and guidance issued by HUD. State law also directs PHA policy. State law must be followed where such law exists and does not conflict with federal regulations. In the absence of legal requirements or HUD guidance, industry practice may lead to PHA policy.

#### **HUD**

HUD provides the primary source of PHA policy through federal regulations, HUD Notices and handbooks. Compliance with federal regulations, current HUD Notices and HUD handbooks is mandatory.

HUD provides nonmandatory guidance to PHAs through HUD published guidebooks. Expired HUD Notices and handbooks also provide guidance for PHA policy. Following HUD guidance is optional, as long as PHA policies comply with federal law, federal regulations and mandatory policy. Because HUD has already determined that the guidance it provides is consistent with mandatory policies, PHA reliance on HUD guidance provides the PHA with a “safe harbor.”

Content contained on the HUD website can provide further clarification of HUD policies. For example, FAQs on the HUD website can provide direction on the application of federal regulations to a specific pattern.

#### **State Law**

Where there is no mandatory federal guidance, PHAs must comply with state law, if it exists. Where state law is more restrictive than federal law, but does not conflict with it, the PHA should follow the state law.

#### **Industry Practice**

Where no law or HUD authority exists on a particular subject, industry practice may support PHA policy. An industry practice is a way of doing things that is followed by most housing authorities.

#### **RESOURCES CITED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN**

The administrative plan cites several documents. Where a document or resource is cited frequently, it may be abbreviated. Where it is cited only once or twice, the administrative plan may contain the entire name of the document or resource. Following is a key to abbreviations used for various sources that are frequently cited in the administrative plan and a list of references and document locations that are referenced in the administrative plan or that may be helpful to you.

## Abbreviations

Throughout the administrative plan, abbreviations are used to designate certain documents in citations. The following is a table of abbreviations of documents cited in the administrative plan.

Abbreviation	Document
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
HCV GB	Housing Choice Voucher Program Guidebook (7420.10G), April 2001.
HUD-50058 IB	HUD-50058 Instruction Booklet
RHIIP FAQs	Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Program (RHIIP) Frequently Asked Questions.
VG	PIH Notice 2004-01 Verification Guidance, March 9, 2004.
HB 4350.3	Occupancy Requirements of Subsidized Multifamily Housing Programs

## Resources and Where to Find Them

Following is a list of resources helpful to the PHA or referenced in the administrative plan, and the online location of each.

Document and Location
Code of Federal Regulations <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html">http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html</a>
Earned Income Disregard FAQ <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/phr/about/ao_faq_eid.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/phr/about/ao_faq_eid.cfm</a>
Eligibility of Students for Assisted Housing Under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; Final Rule <a href="http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/24672.pdf">http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/24672.pdf</a>
Eligibility of Students for Assisted Housing Under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; Supplementary Guidance; Notice <a href="http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/3365.pdf">http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/3365.pdf</a>
Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System, Security Procedures for Upfront Income Verification data <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/docs/eivsecguidepha.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/docs/eivsecguidepha.pdf</a>
Executive Order 11063 <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/EXO11063.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/EXO11063.cfm</a>
Federal Register <a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html</a>
General Income and Rent Determination FAQ <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_gird.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_gird.cfm</a>
Housing Choice Voucher Program Guidebook (7420.10G), April 2001. <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/forms/guidebook.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/forms/guidebook.cfm</a>

<p>HUD Guidelines for Projecting Annual Income When Upfront Income Verification (UIV) Data is Available  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/docs/guideprojincome.doc">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/docs/guideprojincome.doc</a></p>
<p>HUD-50058 Instruction Booklet  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/systems/pic/50058/pubs/ib/form50058ib.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/systems/pic/50058/pubs/ib/form50058ib.pdf</a></p>
<p>Joint Statement of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Justice, issued May 17, 2004  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/library/huddojstatement.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/library/huddojstatement.pdf</a></p>
<p>Notice of Guidance to Federal Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons, published December 19, 2003  <a href="http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/31267.pdf">http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/31267.pdf</a></p>
<p>OMB Circular A-133  <a href="http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133/a133.html">http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133/a133.html</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2002-01 (HA), Accessibility Notice  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/02/pih2002-1.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/02/pih2002-1.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2004-01 (HA), Verification Guidance, March 9, 2004.  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/04/pih2004-1.pdf">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/04/pih2004-1.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2004-18 (HA), Verification of Social Security (SS) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits.  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/04/pih2004-18.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/04/pih2004-18.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2005-01 (HA), Implementation of the Consolidated Appropriations Act (HR 4818 – H Rept 108-792), 2005 Funding Provisions for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-1.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-1.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2005-7 (HA), Rental Integrity Monitoring (RIM) Disallowed Costs and Sanctions Under the Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Project (RHIIP) Initiative  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-7.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-7.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2005-9 (HA), Public Housing Agency (PHA) Flexibility to Manage the Housing Choice Voucher Program in 2005.  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-9.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/05/pih2005-9.pdf</a></p>
<p>PIH Notice 2006-23 (HA), Implementation of the Violence Against Women and Justice Department Reauthorization Act of 2005  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/06/pih2006-23.pdf">http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/06/pih2006-23.pdf</a></p>
<p>Project-Based Voucher Program; Final Rule  <a href="http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/20035.pdf">http://www.hudclips.org/sub_nonhud/cgi/pdf/20035.pdf</a></p>
<p>Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Program (RHIIP) Frequently Asked Questions.  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq.cfm</a></p>
<p>Verification FAQ  <a href="http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_verif.cfm">www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_verif.cfm</a></p>

The HUD website is <http://www.hud.gov/index.html>.

Guidebooks, handbooks and other HUD published and federal resources may be found at the HUDClips website: [www.hudclips.org](http://www.hudclips.org).

The DHCD website is: <http://www.mass.gov/dhcd>